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HONGKONG, 23RD MAY, 1904

RUSSIA has not been slow to suffer also at the hands of Nature a similar disaster to that which afflicted Japan on the 15th instant, when a fog caused the loss of the cruiser *Yoshino*. The Russian cruiser *Bogatyr*, in a fog, has now sunk outside Vladivostock. In the case of the *Yoshino*, was one of her fellow cruisers which sank her; the *Bogatyr* was lost through striking mud. The result has been the same in both cases, that the unfortunate vessel is out of the war, even if not permanently out of existence. The Russians were able to save all the crew, it seems, in this more happy than the Japanese. But, on the other hand, the *Bogatyr* was a far larger, more modern, and better armed vessel than the *Yoshino*, and the loss to Russia is proportionately heavier. At this time, when susters have been overtaking both belligerents' navies in rapid succession, it may not be uninteresting to give a list of the actual losses, as far as can be made out from the various accounts. Taking the Russian first, we have the following:

*Petrovsk*, battleship, blown up off Port Arthur on 13th April; *Bogatyr*, protected cruiser, wrecked off Vladivostock last week; *Varyag*, protected cruiser, sunk at Chemulpo on 9th February; *Korets*, gunboat, sunk at Chemulpo on 1st February; *Sivoutch*, gun-vessel, destroyed by Russians at Newchwang; *Besbrachai*, destroyer, sunk at Port Arthur on 13th April; *Vnushitelni*, destroyer, wrecked off Port Arthur on 24th February;

*Stereguschi*, destroyer, sunk off Port Arthur on 10th March; *Yenisei*, mine or torpedo-transport, blown up at Dalny on 11th February.

To these may be added perhaps the *Bayan*, armoured cruiser, reported wrecked at Port Arthur in February, and *Bojarin*, protected cruiser, claimed by the Japanese to have been wrecked at Dalny on 12th February; and the following damages of a serious nature:

*Pobeda*, battleship, struck by mine off Port Arthur on 13th April;

*Poltava*, battleship, struck by shell at Port Arthur on 9th February;

*Retvizan*, battleship, torpedoed at Port Arthur on 8th February;

*Arzvezdachny*, battleship, torpedoed at Port Arthur on 8th February;

*Akhol*, protected cruiser, struck by shell at Port Arthur on 9th February;

*Diana*, protected cruiser, struck by shell at Port Arthur on 9th February;

*Poltava*, protected cruiser, torpedoed at Port Arthur on 8th February.

The case of the *Novik*, protected cruiser, is doubtful; she has done a lot of hard fighting and has several times been reported injured.

Turning now to the Japanese fleet, the following losses are certain:

*Hatsuse*, battleship, blown up off Port Arthur on 15th May;

*Yoshino*, protected cruiser, sunk in collision off Shantung promontory on 15th May;

*Miyako*, unarmoured cruiser, blown up off Taliawan on 14th May.

No record of lesser Japanese casualties can be furnished. The Russians have repeatedly claimed to have sunk destroyers and torpedo-boats, but, apart from the blowing up of torpedo-boat No. 48 at Taliawan on the 12th May, the Japanese admit no losses. As the Japanese official news has been so correct we must be inclined to believe their actual losses no more; but with regard to minor injuries it is known that they have docked some vessels from time to time. Whether the *Kasuga* was injured in the collision on the 15th instant remains to be heard.

In total losses, therefore, we may certainly set one Russian battleship, two protected cruisers, two gunboats, three destroyers, and a mining vessel against one Japanese battleship, one protected cruiser, and one unarmoured cruiser. In addition the Russians have four battleships and at least three protected cruisers practically *hors de combat* against unknown but small Japanese casualties. The discrepancy is not a little startling; or at least it would have been, could we have foreseen it at the beginning of the war.

To-day and to-morrow being public holidays, there will be no issue of the *Daily Press* to-morrow (Victoria Day); should, however, any important war telegrams be received they will be issued to our subscribers in the form of an Extra.

Capt. R. Mitchell has resigned his commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

The appointment is notified in the *Gazette* of Mr. T. L. Perkins to act on behalf of the Building Authority.

By a proclamation in the *Gazette* the prohibition to export arms, etc., is extended for a further period of 6 months.

A large number of local holiday-makers who have not gone to Macao are going round to Deep Water Bay to-day. The links should be crowded.

8 more fatal Chinese plague cases were reported up to noon on Saturday. One man was found wandering in No. 2 Health District and subsequently died, while one body was dumped.

The latest home papers record that Lisbon a month ago was without newspapers owing to a printers' strike, and Vienna was without a train service owing to a strike of employees on the Hungarian State Railways.

In a cricket match at the Happy Valley on Saturday between the Dallas Company and the "Nouvelles" the former won a meritorious victory. The Dallas Co. were assisted by a certain number of local cricketers, but Mr. Percival Knight managed to distinguish himself both in batting and bowling, making 26 runs and taking 4 wickets.

Mr. John Roberts played a game of billiards recently at the United Club against another of Bangkok's leading billiard players, Mr. Charles Roberts. The conditions were 1,000 up. Mr. C. Roberts receiving 550 start. Mr. John Roberts filled his score of 1,000 against Mr. C. Roberts' 941, winning by 52 points. Mr. John Roberts subsequently played Mr. George Stewart. The latter had 650 points in 1,000 up allowed, and Roberts won by 151. After the conclusion of this game Mr. Roberts played Messrs. J. K. Black and Payne at pool, giving the former 5 and the latter 6, and beating them respectively by 12 to 7 and 13 to 7.

Singapore has declared Annoy, as well as Hongkong, plague-infected.

On Saturday evening Mr. Li Hong Mi, Supreme Court interpreter, was entertained to a banquet in the Yin King Lam restaurant, on the occasion of his departure for England on leave. There were about 40 people present. Mr. Li Hong Mi is taking his son to be educated. Good wishes from their many friends follow them both. Mr. Li Hong Mi and his son leave by the *Bayan* on Wednesday.

The following is the programme of music to be performed by the band of the 1st Sherwood Foresters on the New Parade Ground from 5 to 6.30 p.m. to-day:

March..... "Soraphine"..... Clark  
Overture..... "The Merry Wives of Windsor"..... Nicolai  
Selection..... "Copeline"..... Delibes  
Salonstück..... "Rosenthal"..... Ascher  
Suite..... "Peer Gynt"..... Grieg  
Valse..... "O Shonee Mai"..... Strauss  
"God Save the King."

The Acheen war, which began in 1873, is reported to have cost Holland about 280 millions of guilders up to the end of last year. The war is in its last stage, but still drags on, the operations being now mainly against the Gayoo, a tribe of hillmen who had given aid and comfort to the Achines to whose Sultan they owned allegiance. The Sultan has submitted, and has left the Gayoo to their fate, while the Achines are said to have been so effectively brought under, that they can do nothing to help their allies.

The English cricket season has made a characteristic start. At Lord's on the 8-11th inst. Mr. Warner's Australian team made 300 runs in the first innings. In the second innings the team made 34 for one wicket. The Rest of England scored 247. The game was drawn, there being no play on Tuesday owing to the rain. The *Straits Times* telegram which gives these details also says that Lancashire beat Leicestershire by an innings and 64 runs, and Surrey beat Hampshire by 253 runs.

*Sport and Gossip* of the 15th inst. writes:—The Committee of the Hongkong Cricket Club a few days ago had a meeting at which it was decided to send a challenge to Shanghai, inviting the team to visit the Crown Colony in November next and there fight a new battle, as well as some of the old ones, over again. The H.C.C. at a cost when it is finished, of close upon \$30,000, is building a new Pavilion in the south-west corner of their ground, and it is hoped that the match, Hongkong versus Shanghai, may witness the opening of the building.

The Sabah Steamship Company held its ninth ordinary general meeting at Sandakan, North Borneo, on the 5th April, with Mr. P. Breitig in the chair. The chairman said that business on the coast was very bad for the Company. In addition to this the North German Lloyd had been trying to capture the Company's trade and to injure its business. With regard to this the chairman made the following further statement:—"There has been a great deal of gossip of late regarding the acquisition of this Company by the Norddeutscher Lloyd. It is true that for some time certain negotiations were proceeding, but as they have now been definitely abandoned it is not necessary for me to make any further reference to them."

"Even if they should lose the war and haven't that to make them feel big," remarked a doctor (quoted by the *Philadelphia Press*), "in all probability the next generation—or the next but one—of the Japanese will be as tall as the average American or European. It is the custom of sitting on the ankles on the floor—instead of a chair as we do—that explains the shortness of the Japanese leg. The arteries are kinked by the cramped position and are therefore not properly nourished. As a matter of fact, however, the Japanese spine is just of a length with the average American or European one—indeed, we all differ in height rather by reason of leg than of back, and the spinal column is singularly constant among various individuals. Now the chair has gained a place in Japanese life, and soon the length of the Japanese leg will become normal."

The Roman Catholic periodical *Les Paroisses Francaises* says:—"The only result of the Russo-Japanese war which can as yet be said to be certain is the ruin of a French foundation—namely, that of the Catholic missions. If the Russians should eventually turn out to be crippled victors in a long struggle, the sympathy which binds France to the Empire of the North will not save the priests who propagate the Roman Catholic faith. For violent hatred has always existed between the Russian popes and the fathers of the French missions. The scandalous scenes of daily occurrence between members of the Orthodox and Roman Catholic faiths at Jerusalem are the exact model of the scenes illustrating the history of Christianity in Japan. The example of fraternity is not given in the Far East by the mystical envys of the Russian Church. These Orthodox missionaries are intelligent, keen traders. On the other hand, they are easy-going in matters concerning religion, and all they ask of the Japanese is the right to molest French missionaries. If Russia should be victorious, she will endeavour to extend her political influence through the ministers of her national religion, and she will do so to the great prejudice of the religious *pratiques* of France."

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## TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.  
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

## THE WAR

## THE "BOGATYR" DISASTER.

KORE, May 21, 12.30 p.m.

The *Bogatyr* stranded at the entrance to Vladivostock in a fog and sank.

This confirms the telegram from our London correspondent which appeared in our issue of Saturday. The *Bogatyr* was a cruiser of 6,750 tons displacement, and 25 knots speed. She was built at Stettin, being launched in 1900. Her armament is given in the Naval List as 1.6-in. quick-firing gun, 12 3-in., 6 1.8-in. Hotchkiss. Her complement is given as 580. Our London correspondent's telegram, which was apparently based on Russian information, stated that all the crew were saved.—ED. D.P.]

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

## THE WAR—JAPANESE REPORT IN RETIRING.

LONDON, 19th May.

Despatches from General Kuroptkin to Lord Sakuroff describe the Japanese evacuation of several points in advance of Liacyang and their retirement on Fenghuangcheng where they are constructing earthworks. The rains have rendered the roads bad.

## CONTRABAND OF WAR.

LONDON, 19th May.

Lord Lansdowne states that Russia has replied to an enquiry about the notification of the 11th instant, re cotton being contraband of war, that it applies to low grade cotton only.

## THE LOSS OF JAPANESE WARSHIPS.

LONDON, 20th May.

The newspapers express sincere sympathy and great regret at the loss of the *Hatsuse* and the *Yoshino*.

## SIBERIAN PORTS OPEN.

LONDON, 20th May.

It is expected in S. Petersburg that Russia will shortly proclaim the Siberian ports, including Vladivostock, open to commerce.

## AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

LONDON, 19th May.

The Austro-Hungarian Minister for War has explained to the delegations that the exceptional expenditure is in novices connected with the political situation, but that it is necessary in order to make up the leeway in regard to re-arming the artillery and the equipment of vessels in accordance with modern developments of the science of war.

## OBITUARY.

LONDON, 20th May.

The death is announced of Mr. John Wickwick, of Messrs. Jardine, Skinner, and Co., of Calcutta.

## LAWN TENNIS.

R.H.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

## WAR NOTES.

JAPANESE OFFICIAL DESPATCHES.  
We received yesterday evening from the Japanese Consul a copy of the following official telegrams received by him the same afternoon:

"TOKYO, 21st May, 2.55 p.m.  
"Admiral Togo reports that the gunboat squadron with the destroyer and the torpedo-boat flotillas approached Port Arthur on the 20th instant for reconnoitring, which was successfully effected with little damage, despite the hot crossfire from the enemy's forts; no casualties for our side."

"TOKYO, 21st May, 10.35 p.m.  
"A company of the enemy appeared six miles north of Takushan and was surrounded by our infantry. They fled with many casualties. A Russian captain was taken prisoner. There was no casualty for our side."

## "A CHINESE HONEYMOON."

These in the audience at the Theatre on Saturday evening who had not seen *A Chinese Honeymoon* at the Strand Theatre in London, where it ran for something like seven hundred nights, must have wondered what the London play-going public saw in the piece to become so enraptured with it. The music, though pretty, has not attained the same vogue as the music of *The Geisha* or *The Belle of New York* or several other musical comedies of recent years, and we conclude that primarily the chief attraction for the play-going public of London was the Oriental setting of the piece. That feature of the play does not, of course, possess the same attraction for a Hongkong audience. With a strong cast, however, the play does not depend entirely on its Oriental setting for its success. There is fine scope for good acting in it, and those who saw the inimitable Louie Freear in the part of Fi Fi will concede this feature to have been the second cause of the play's astonishing success. This part was very well taken in the performance on Saturday by Miss Alice Wade. Mr. Percival Knight, the principal comedian of the Company, took the part of Pineapple, the Banquet on a honeymoon tour in China. His song "Happy Land" with its intoned patter after each verse, was vastly appreciated, and although he repeated the last verse, the house demanded more, but had reluctantly to be satisfied with the bowing of the artist in acknowledgment. Miss Wade's song "I want to be a Lydy" was almost equally well received. The sentimental duet by Miss Ernestine Walker and Mr. Frank Coddron was well sung and cordially applauded. The part of the Emperor in the piece was taken by Mr. Rees, and that of Lord High Admiral by Mr. Riley. In the second act Miss Carrie Roberts introduced a *dance fantastique* which was very well done and elicited general applause. To-night the Company play *The Sign of the Cross*.

ON THE OTHER HAND, it has been urged that a 100 by 35 ft. bath would be hardly large enough, from a sanitary standpoint, for 100 swimmers at one time. This statement, however, is particularly absurd when it is considered that the water—salt water at that—would be changed every day. Public baths in London, for instance—fresh water baths—have, in summer time, their water changed only twice a week, and hundreds of people bathe in them between shifts; in winter the water is only changed once a week.

Another good point about having a bath-house is that for concerts, entertainments, etc., the water could be boarded over, and there would be a magnificent hall.

In face of all this it is to be concluded that the bath-house is desirable. How is the V.R.C. to get over the difficulty? Well, in the opinion of an engineer, a duplex manual pump, costing say \$500 and worked by four men—and there are about four Chinese boatmen with very little to do—could pump a couple of feet into the bath in as many hours. This would cost the Club nil, excepting the initial expense, \$500. If the bath was built two feet below low-water mark there would

## HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

The smallness of the birth-rate among the Chinese in the Colony certainly calls for remark, but there is something more to be said on the subject than what one is accustomed to find in the Registrar-General's annual report.

The number of the Chinese births registered, the Registrar-General says, "does not give an accurate record of the total number of births of Chinese that have occurred in the Colony, for many of the infants that die during the first month or so of life remain unregistered." But as it has been customary to add to the registered births the number of infants of one month old and under that die in the Colony, and as I suppose those children which survive the first month do eventually come on to the register, the corrected birth-rate which the Registrar-General gives may be taken as approximately correct.

The rate here must certainly be far below that of any town on the mainland, and the explanation must surely be found in the great preponderance of males among our Chinese population, for it seems to be quite the thing for the wife to live at Canton and the husband in Hongkong. This state of things has been brought about by the increasing cost of living in Hongkong owing to the growing density of the population, and the necessity for sanitary measures which have resulted in making living more costly for the Chinese, particularly in regard to rents, than their limited resources will stand. Our population shows astonishing growth, but it is growth by immigration.

Now that one is able to put two and two together, it is not altogether surprising that the Opium Farmer should be willing to pay the enhanced price of over two million dollars for the Opium Farm. When the contract was fixed people began to cast about for a cause for the increased tender. The cause now appears. It is an open secret that the Transvaal Mining Syndicate want, not 50,000 coolies as originally stated, but 300,000; and the opium required to supply that army of Chinese—equal to the population of Hongkong—should bring in sufficient profits to justify the Opium Farmer in putting in his tremendous offer for the traffic.

The most stirring incident of the week has been the passage at arms between Mr. May the Governor and Mr. Pollock in the Legislative Council on the occasion of the Opium Bill debate. Mr. May asked the hon. member very brusquely if he were a paid agent in his advocacy of the opposition to the Bill. Mr. Pollock very warmly replied, repelling the charge and referring to his years of public life in Hongkong as a sufficient answer to the allegation. Sir Henry Berkeley, however, struck a true note when he said that the hon. member could not be expected to be an unbiased observer of the situation considering that he had been professionally employed in drawing up the two petitions by the Chinese against the Bill.

A correspondent recently wrote pointing out that the method of taking up European offenders to the Police Station as practised by the police was not calculated to impress the Chinese in the views they hold about foreigners. Certainly it is not a pleasant spectacle to see a white man led along the street by, say, an Indian and a Chinese *lakong*. But if an European goes to the length of making a fool of himself in public by getting intoxicated and making an exhibition of himself little can be said against the methods the police employ in dealing with him. There is a question whether it is better to allow an European to make an exhibition of himself on the street to the detestation of the Chinese or for the police to "run" him to the station, whatever the nationality of the police may be. As for providing gharies for drunken Europeans, as suggested by your correspondent, that, in my opinion, would simply be placing a premium on drunkenness. When the Chinese see that an European cannot commit a breach of the peace with impunity it must impress them with the idea that there is no such thing in Hongkong as one law for the whites and another for the natives.

Many Hongkong people will remember W. Musket, late of Watson's, who was a well-known writer in the newspapers over the pen-name of "Ionic." When he died some three years ago a movement was set afoot to erect a stone over his grave. Mr. N. K. Davidson took the responsibility of seeing the scheme through, and it has now been consummated by the erection of a memorial-stone over the deceased's remains at Happy Valley.

A local naturalist writes to me:—The other night as I was walking up Zetland Street I saw two toads. Watching them for some time I observed them to jump into a crevice in the great stone wall, where, no doubt, they have made a little house. In the summer they must get rather dry, but, perhaps, during their nocturnal wanderings they absorb sufficient moisture from the atmosphere. We have heard of toads hopping out of solid stone when broken; but I believe there is no foundation for such tales. These ancient, queer-looking inhabitants may often be heard croaking about Ice House Street at night-time.

Constable John Godfrey, a familiar figure for many years at the Magistracy, left for home by the English mail on Saturday after 15 years' service in the Hongkong Police. He was as popular as he was well known. Many years ago, while he was stationed at Stanley, there was a report, that a tiger had been committing depredations in that neighbourhood. Searching for the animal, P.C. Godfrey had the misfortune to trip over a tussock, with the result that his curbine went off and the shot passed through his right wrist, permanently injuring the limb.

BANYAN.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## AN OFFICIAL "ARMY JOURNAL."

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

War Office, London, S.W., 13th April.

Sir,—Allow me to enclose for your information a copy of an Army Order which has been issued to the Army at home and abroad, regarding the institution of the *Army Journal of the British Empire*.

I shall feel obliged if you would kindly give prominence in your columns to the Army Order, so that it may be brought to the notice of the general public as well as to that of those officers and soldiers, either serving or retired, who reside in the districts in which your journal circulates.—I am, yours faithfully,

N. G. LYTTLETON.

Chief of the General Staff.

[Enclosure.]

ARMY ORDER.

Special.

War Office, 14th April, 1904.

The following instructions are promulgated to the Army by direction of the Army Council:

## "THE ARMY JOURNAL OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE."

1. The Army Council have approved of the institution of a military publication to be called *The Army Journal of the British Empire*.

2. The journal is intended to deal with subjects of a professional and scientific nature, to encourage the study of military science and history, to circulate information on military matters, and to promote as far as possible a knowledge of the principles of Imperial defence, amongst all ranks and all arms of the military forces of the Crown.

3. The Army Council hope and confidently anticipate that the journal will receive the fullest support from the entire British forces throughout the Empire.

4. Officers and soldiers of all services in the active, reserve, or retired list of the military forces of the Crown in any part of the British Empire are invited to submit articles for insertion in the journal. Special articles by eminent civilian writers will also be published from time to time.

5. No payment for contributions will be made, but prizes will be granted from time to time for essays and articles on special subjects. Instructions regarding these prizes will be promulgated in the first number of the journal.

6. The following suggestions are given as a general guide to the nature of some of the subjects that might be dealt with by contributors:

(a) The discussion of new theories, discoveries, or experiences in military matters; records of the progress of military science in British and foreign armies; historical memoirs or reviews; translations of and extracts from British and foreign military publications provided that the necessary sanction for such translations and extracts has been previously obtained. Reports on foreign armaments and expeditions; campaigning experiences and reports on special expeditions and journeys undertaken by British officers and men. Information regarding stations at home and abroad, with respect to climate, clothing, accommodation, currency, and other local conditions which may be useful to officers and men quartered at, or proceeding to, such stations, &c., &c.

(b) Reports on the results of various experiments in administration, organisation, education, training, arms, equipment, staff rides, regimental tours, manœuvres, and other instructional operations and exercises of special interest; winter essays and lectures of exceptional merit, &c., &c., provided they are submitted, in the case of officers and soldiers on the active list, through the usual official channel.

All contributions may, when necessary, be accompanied by a limited number of illustrations, plans, diagrams, or photographs.

7. The journal will be published monthly.

The annual subscription will be 10s. 6d., exclusive of postage. The price of a single copy will be 1s. exclusive of postage.

The date of issue of the first number of the journal, and the name of the publisher and his agents at home and abroad from whom it may be purchased, either directly or through any bookseller, will be notified in a subsequent Army Order and announced in the Press.

Rentances should not in any case be sent to the War Office.

8. All contributions submitted for acceptance should be signed by the contributor, who, unless a civilian, should also give his rank, the regiment or corps in which he is serving or has served, and the appointment, if any, that he holds or has held in the military forces of the Crown, together with his postal address. In the case of non-commissioned officers and men, their regimental corps number should also be given.

Contributors are requested to state, when forwarding their contributions, whether they wish their names to be published or not. Should they prefer their names to be withheld, the authorship of the contribution will be treated as confidential.

Anonymous contributions will be ignored.

All contributions (except as provided in paragraph 6 (b)) may be sent direct to the War Office (see also paragraph 17).

9. Criticism of official measures or regulations, matters of discipline and other kindred subjects are not within the scope of the journal, nor can contributions of a personal nature be accepted.

10. Letters commenting on articles in previous numbers of the journal will, if considered suitable, be inserted.

11. No responsibility will be accepted for statements contained in any contribution which a contributor may submit.

12. Contributions which are found unsuitable for insertion in the journal will only be returned to the sender, provided that a request to that effect accompanies such contribution; but no responsibility can be accepted for the loss of, or damage to, MSS., illustrations, drawings, &c. Although the journal may not appear for a few months, proposed contributions will be gladly received at once so that material for the first issues may be arranged forthwith.

13. All MSS. should be on one side only of the page. It should be preference by type written, but, if not, all proper names should be written in capital letters (or printed) to avoid mistakes.

14. Unless objection is expressly stated by the contributor, the right will be reserved of inserting summaries or extracts from articles submitted.

15. The source from which all non-original contributions have been obtained should always be stated.

16. Ordinary articles should not as a rule exceed 5,000 words, with three or four illustrations, plans, &c.

17. All contributions should be addressed to the Chief of the General Staff, War Office, 62, Victoria Street, London, S.W. The words "Army Journal" being written on the left-hand top corner of the envelope.

## THE CLOCK TOWER.

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Sir,—The once much-abused Clock Tower has had a long rest, and, when I write to you under this heading, I by no means intend to revive abusive language demanding that the whole affair should be removed instantly to a more suitable site. Hongkong is doing so much in the public building line that we must, of course, wait for more cash in hand before accomplishing *everything*. The Clock Tower even where it is, blocking up a main thoroughfare, is a great convenience, affording as it does a means of always knowing the correct time—that is by day. I say "by day" because, through the negligence of whoever is responsible, one cannot see the time by night. Perhaps the inside of the glass is covered with soot and requires cleaning—what the cause is I cannot say. What I do know is that for several nights I have been unable to read the dial—I mean before midnight—although my bedroom window is quite adjacent to, and facing the tower. I hope the matter will be attended to.—Yours, etc.

## TIMEKEEPER.

## THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY PROJECT.

It is perhaps a good thing at the moment that the new Governor to arrive shortly in Hongkong will reach there, remarks the *Singapore Free Press*, when a decision must be immediately taken to carry out an important work having its base on the mainland. That is the long-projected railway from Kowloon to Canton, giving connection with the Canton-Hawick railway now under active construction. The concession for the Kowloon-Canton line has lain too long in ineffective hands, and the sooner any penalty clause attached to non-performance is given effect to the better. We cannot see why the British Minister at Peking, the Government at Hongkong, and the Chinese authorities at Canton, should not see about independent authority being given to have the work carried out directly under a Hongkong Government or Imperial Government guarantee. We have Government railways in the Federated Malay States, and, what purpose to be a railway in this island, whose chief value is that it is a permanent monument to the Crown Agents incapacity, and an useful "awful example" when compared with the F.M.S. lines. Sir Mathew Nathan is not only a high authority on defence, but, as a Royal Engineer, as having served in the Sudan, and governed the Gold Coast, he knows well the value of improving rapid communication with the great back-country of China. Let Hongkong take a leaf out of the book of Russian thorough railway policy, and at any cost see the line constructed out of hand, a double line, too, to begin with. If the harvest is to be reaped, there should not be moment lost in getting the seed put into the ground. But, at all hazards, by some mode of delegation, keep the Crown Agents clean out of it.

## NORTHERN CHINA RAILWAY BONDS.

"Scrutator" writes to the Editor of the *Financial Times*:

Sir,—For some time there has been in circulation in certain usually well-informed quarters a report to the effect that an arrangement has been made for an early settlement of the debt of the 1st March, 1899, of the North China Railway, which are still outstanding.

This has led to an advance in price of about 8 per cent.—namely, from about 85 on, and for a fortnight prior to, the 8th March, to 93 on the 16th April. The period referred to has been marked by the continuance of war in the Far East and by the default on the 9th March under the railway contract of 9th July last.

This rise, at this juncture, is, therefore, even if bona-fide, a very remarkable one, as during the time referred to no other Imperial Chinese Bonds have risen over 1 per cent.

Strange to state, however, on inquiry of the proper parties, no payment has yet been received, nor has any bank or financial house in this country advised them of its having undertaken on behalf of the Chinese Government to pay the debts at a specified date.

Plainly, till this latter is effected any marked rise beyond the Chinese par price (which in this case is £90) is premature, and even from that figure there fails to be taken into account the present situation arising from the state of war in the districts bordering on the Gulf of Pechili.

The recent upward movement of the past few weeks is, therefore, not justified by the existing facts, and investors must, meantime, be content to await the receipt here of the remittance of what is required to liquidate the long overdue obligations in this country of the late Imperial North China Railway Administration.—I am, &c.,

## SCRUTATOR.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

At the Ambulance Class Examination held on Wednesday, the 11th instant, the following members passed:—

Gunner C. B. Hayward, Gunner J. P. Jordan, Gunner H. C. Sayer, Gunner E. Raymond, and Gunner S. R. Moore.

## BEACHCOMBERS AT HONGKONG.

Unwashed, filthily-dressed beachcombers are, in spite of the continued efforts of the Police, still numerous at Hongkong. Even those at the House of Detention continue their old ways when let out to look for work. This class, together with repulsive Chinese freaks of nature, beggar at the wayside, form one of our local pests. At night-time many undesirables seek shelter in Wan Chai matted and elsewhere.

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## POLICE COURT.

## Saturday, 21st May.

## BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ.

(ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE.)

## CRUELTY TO SHEEP.

A Chinese shepherd, Li Sun, by name, was charged with having caused unnecessary and avoidable suffering to a number of sheep. It appears that when Inspector McEwan was strolling along Praya West, he noticed a flock of sheep near the edge of the water-front, and the bleating attracted his attention. Men were throwing them into a junk, a drop of fourteen feet. The inspector stopped the proceedings, and arrested Li Sun; the other men ran away. His Worship imposed a fine of \$20, or one month's imprisonment.

## VAGRANTS.

Five Americans were charged with vagrancy. Inspector Langley explained that the men were seamen. About three months ago they stowed away on a vessel at Capetown, and were arrested and sentenced to a month's imprisonment each on arrival at Singapore. Singapore passed them on to Hongkong. They were now entirely without means of support, 17/- being the sum total of their wealth. His Worship ordered that the defendants be sent to the detention house.

## ALLEGED FORGERY.

Six Chinamen were charged with possession of a wooden stamp by means of which they could "shop" forged stamps on packets of opium, similar to the "shop" used by the Opium Farmer. It appears, also, that they were found in possession of twelve mace of opium without a certificate from the Opium Farmer.

After evidence of arrest had been taken, the case was remanded for a week to enable the Farmer to secure evidence of the forgery, the man being released on bail of \$2,500 each.

## GERMANY AND THE WAR.

In the German Reichstag on the 12th April Count von Biilow dealt with the subject of the war in the Far East. He said:

With regard to the conflict in East Asia our attitude is plain. Since it has been proved impossible to preserve peace, we are doing what we can to prevent the duel in the Far East from developing into a general war. Our neutrality is indeed sufficiently accounted for by the fact that we have no reason to intervene in a war which does not directly affect German interests, and, finally, this course is the surest means of preserving from injury as far as may be our commerce and our economic interests.

We have repeatedly been reproached with having been taken by surprise when the war broke out.

I have even read somewhere that by our excessive optimism we lulled others into an unwarranted sense of security. I could reply that the leading Ministers in London, in Paris, and in St. Petersburg, and even the representatives of Japan in Paris and St. Petersburg, appear, as a matter of fact, to have been surprised by the outbreak of the war. I might also lay stress upon the circumstance that even those non-Japanese statesmen who believed that the Japanese boiler had been heated up to a point at which it would soon emit steam did not foresee that the Government in Tokyo would choose the precise moment which it selected for breaking off diplomatic relations. I will merely point out that at critical junctures of this sort the Government has to consult the great foreign interests of the country and has, above all, to see to it that when a storm is brewing the ship of State is not dashed upon rocks or shallows.

If we had employed pessimistic language before the outbreak of the war, if we had employed more pessimistic language than was held elsewhere, we should have exhibited ourselves in S. Petersburg in the aspect of instigators of the war and might have excited mistrust in that quarter. On the other hand, we had no right to attribute warlike intentions to the Japanese Government so long as Japan had not declared war.

It was thus our duty to keep as quiet as possible. The neutralisation of China was, moreover, a good means of reassuring the Chinese Court and this would have imperilled the security of the Europeans in China. By our advocacy of the neutralisation of China, which was besides the best refutation of the widely-circulated calumny that we intended to turn the war to account in order to appropriate portions of China—by our advocacy of Chinese neutrality, I say, we consider that we rendered the best service to the cause of European peace in general and more particularly to our own interests.

In a further debate on the 14th ult. Herr Bebel stated it was not the business of the German Empire to secure a neutralisation of China in the interests of Russia; and what about the sale of the steamship *First Bismarck*, which was an auxiliary cruiser in the German Navy list? He felt sure that the Foreign Office had been consulted before the Hamburg-American Line sold the *First Bismarck</*

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1310]

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Apply to—  
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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1311]

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J. LAWRENCE COTTER,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1313]

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1328]

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

## NOTICE.

ON and after MONDAY next, the Head Offices of the above Company will be at Kowloon (behind the godowns). Letters will be received at Ico House Street, Ferry Wharf, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. and forwarded to Kowloon.

EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904. [1312]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have been instructed to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

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Hongkong, 21st May, 1904. [1309]

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Captain Robson will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at 2 p.m.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904. [1321]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"CEYLON,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUZER AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1904. [1314]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904. [1291]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

on

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The Screw Steamer

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(Lately running between Hongkong and Kowloon, and now lying at Yaumati).

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REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S REPORT  
FOR 1903.

The report of Mr. A. W. Brewin, Registrar-General, for the year 1903 is published in the *Gazette*. We make the following extracts—

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The revenue collected during the year amounted to \$160,351.81, as against \$136,888.13 collected in 1902, being an increase of \$23,463.68.

The number of Chinese who were granted certificates of identity to enable them to enter the Philippine Islands increased from 43 in 1902 to 119 in 1903. The increase in the revenue under the heading "certificates to Chinese entering Manila and the U.S.A." is \$1,360.00. Market revenue shows a further increase of \$9,315.81. All markets with the exception of Taikotuk share in the increase. The revenue from the Des Voeux Market, which is situated in Des Voeux Road Central near Wing Shing Street, and was opened in September, was \$1,824.16, but this revenue will not be maintained. There is very little demand for stalls, and most of the original lessees have already surrendered their holdings. Fees under the Marriage Ordinance show an increase of \$897.00 and under the regulations for emigration houses one of \$1,350.00. The revenue from hawkers' licences shows an increase of \$8,722.00. In August the regulations governing the issue of hawkers' licences were altered. Previous to that date the licence-fee, which was \$2.00, was paid quarterly. The fee has now been raised to \$4.00 and is paid half-yearly. The number of licences issued during the last quarter of the year was 5,997 compared with 7,773 in the last quarter of 1902.

The expenditure during the year was \$26,755.61, compared with \$24,230.33 in 1902. The increase is due to various increases of salary to some of the members of the staff and to regular increments of salary to others.

## PO LEUNG KUK INCORPORATION ORDINANCE.

There has been a large increase in the number of women and girls whom the Registrar-General had reason to believe required protection. 826 persons were admitted to the Po Leung Kuk during the year, compared with 617 in 1902. The disturbed state of parts of the Canton Province, the famine in Kwangsi, and certain restrictions imposed on the boats at Canton, are some of the causes to which this increase is due.

## EMIGRATION.

One hundred and forty-four emigrants were detained for inquiries, and the usual arrangements were made for restoring to their friends and relatives those who were found to have been persuaded to emigrate under false pretences. During the year 1903, six hotels and seven emigration houses (for men only) were licensed. At the end of the year there were 50 hotels and 16 emigration houses holding licences.

## CERTIFICATE OF IDENTITY TO CHINESE.

The revenue derived from this source was \$3,925, compared with \$2,775 in 1902. The number of certificates issued during the year was 5,997.

To the United States, 19  
To the Hawaiian Islands, 9  
To the Philippines, 119  
The number of certificates issued for the Philippines in 1902 was 43.

## POPUL. DYN.

The following is an estimate of the population of the Colony, exclusive of the New Territory, on the 30th June, 1903:

British and Foreign Community, 18,581  
Chinese, 307,500

Total, 326,081

The population of the New Territory, according to the census taken in 1901, was 102,254.

## MARRIAGES.

The number of marriages solemnised during the year was 146, as compared with 120 in 1902.

BIRTHS.

The births registered during the year were as follows:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Chinese	521	298	749
Non-Chinese	150	135	285
	671	433	1,034

This is equal to a general birth-rate of 3.17 per 1,000, as compared with 3.8 in 1902.

The birth-rate among the non-Chinese community alone was 18.2 per 1,000, as compared with 12.6 per 1,000 in 1902. The nationalities of the non-Chinese parents were as follows:

British 118, Portuguese 75, Indian 38, Malay 13, German 11, French 5, Spanish 3, Austrian, Japanese, and Persian 2 each, and five other nationalities 1 each.

The number of Chinese births registered does not give an accurate record of the total number of births of Chinese that have occurred in the Colony, for many of the infants that die during the first month or so of life remain unregistered, although their deaths must be registered to obtain the necessary burial orders. It has been customary, therefore, to add to the

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registered birth the number of infants of one month old and under that die in the various convents, or are found by the police in the streets or in the harbour. The number during 1903 was 250 males and 276 females, making a total of 526, and the addition of these figures to the registered Chinese births gives a total of 1,279 as compared with 1,589 during the previous year. The corrected birth-rate is, therefore, 4.7 per 1,000, while among the Chinese alone the rate becomes 4.2 per 1,000.

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## RENTS.

The nature and number of permits issued during the year were as follows:

	512
To fire crackers	512
To hold processions	28
To perform theatricals	39
To hold religious ceremonies	40
	617

## TOTAL.

617

## DISTRICT WATCHMEN.

Convictions were obtained before the police magistrate during the year through the instrumentality of district-watchmen. The contributions to the fund for the year were \$2,405.29 as compared with \$17,461.49 in 1902, being an increase of \$5,033.69. This is due chiefly to the increased rate at which contributions are paid. The increase came into force in July, 1902. The expenditure for the year was \$17,540.37. Included in this sum are \$10,000, a refund of a Government loan, \$1,372.39 for uniform and equipment, \$835.83 for loss on exchange. The balance to the credit of the fund on the 31st December was \$12,445.05.

## CHINESE RELOCATION GROUNDS.

The total expenditure for the year was \$308.27. The revenue obtained from the lease of shops, &c., was \$1,330.82 compared with \$1,257.02 in 1902. The disturbed state of parts of the Canton Province, the famine in Kwangsi, and certain restrictions imposed on the boats at Canton, are some of the causes to which this increase is due.

## TUNG WA HOSPITAL.

The new wing of the hospital in Taipingshan was opened on the 29th March. The Infectious Disease Hospital at Kennedy Town was opened on the 6th June, but a laundry and some other out-buildings are not completed owing to difficulties with the contractor. The financial position of the hospital is much more satisfactory than it was two years ago. An Industrial Committee was appointed in 1902 to inquire into and report on the finances of the hospital, and with its support it has been found possible to considerably increase the amount of subscriptions and the revenue from the hospital's property. Hitherto the only annual subscribers to the hospital have been the various guilds, but on the recommendation of the Finance Committee a new departure was made and individual subscriptions invited. In answer to the appeal 54 gentlemen have promised subscriptions of a hundred dollars a year and 10 of fifty. A welcome addition to the revenue of the hospital has been made by the Government grant of \$40,000 a year.

The number of patients under treatment at the Tung Wa Hospital during the year (Mr. Brewin states under another heading) was 2,457 as compared with 2,730 in 1902. Of these, 1,560 were discharged and 880 died. The percentage of deaths compared with admissions during the year was 36.2. In 1902 the percentage was 45.34, and in 1901 24.40. The number of out-patients during the year was:—Males, 49,376; Females, 23,467. Total, 72,843.

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## ARRIVALS.

May 20, WONGKOK, German str., 1,200, F. Brum, Bangkok 10th and Kohsichang 14th May. Rice and Timber. -BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
May 21, AGAMEMNON, British str., 4,461, R. Day, Kobe 15th May, General. -BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
May 21, HORNSTEIN, German str., 1,275, H. Hauer, Emder 31st March, General. BRADLEY & CO.  
May 21, MARIE JENSEN, German str., 1,771, H. Bendixen, Java ports 11th May, Sugar. -ORDER.  
May 21, ORANGE, Norwegian str., 1,001, Joh. Danovig, Saigon 17th May, Rice and Flour. -SANDER, WIELER & CO.  
May 21, SIAM, British str., 992, Robt. A. Binns, Singapore 16th May, Oil. -GEO. MCNAUL.  
May 21, TIGER, German gunboat, 900, Doimling, Pakhoi 20th May.  
May 21, TRIUMPH, German str., 679, A. Hanmer, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow 20th May, General. -OKA SHOSEN KAISHA.  
May 21, WINGSON, U.S. battleship, 12,000, Clever (Four Admiral Copper on board), Manila 19th May.  
May 22, CYLON, British str., 2,637, C. F. Lockstone, London 13th April, General. -P. & O. S. N. CO.  
May 22, ESSANG, British str., 1,127, W. F. Bichard, Thentien and Chefoo 16th May, General. -JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.  
May 22, HAILONG, British str., 781, Gibson, May 21st May, General. -DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.  
May 22, HANGANG, British str., from Canton.  
May 22, HOLSTEIN, German str., 985, Joh. C. Hansen, Saigon 18th May, Rice and General. -CHINESE.  
May 22, HUE, French steamer, 705, Godineau, Haiphong and Kuanghow 21st May, Rice and General. -A. R. MARTY.  
May 22, MARILDA, Norwegian str., 2,230, H. Taarvig, Kutchinotra 16th May, Coal. -MITSUI BUNSEN KAISHA.  
May 22, PETARSK, German str., from Canton.  
May 22, SHAWMUT, Amer. str., 6,195, Wm. M. Smith, Tacoma and Manila 19th May, General. -DODWELL & CO.  
May 22, SHOHSING, British str., from Canton.  
May 22, TAMBO, British str., 1,360, Stott, R.N.R., Shanghai 10th May, General. -BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
May 22, THALER, British str., 824, A. J. Robson, Swatow 21st May, General. -DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.  
May 22, VICKSBURG, U.S. gunboat, 1,050, Marshall, Manila 18th May.  
May 22, VINDOBONA, Austrian str., 2,694, H. Cobol, Trieste and Singapore 16th May, General. -SANDER, WIELER & CO.  
May 22, WOOSUNG, British str., from Canton.  
CLEARANCES.  
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
21st May.  
Keongkui, German str., for Shanghai.  
Kwangtze, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
Sheila, British str., for Newcastle.  
DEPARTURES.  
21st May.  
C. DIEDERICHS, German str., for Haiphong.  
CHINA, German str., for Saigon.  
CHUNASANG, British str., for Singapore.  
CHUNAN, British str., for Europe.  
DECIMA, German str., for Newchow.  
KOWLOON, German str., for Shanghai.  
LOTHIAN, British str., for Salina Cruz.  
MARCUS BACONIUS, Aust. str., for Trieste.  
RASDAB, British str., for Sasebo.  
TARTAR, British str., for Vancouver.  
TUNGSHING, British str., for Canton.  
22nd May.  
APENBADE, German str., for Paichoi.  
BORG, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.  
ECLIPSE, British cruiser, for Shanghai.  
FEITHOF, Norwegian str., for Tamsui.  
INDRAPURA, British str., for Wokong.  
KANSAN, British str., for Tientsin.  
LOKSANG, British str., for Bangkok.  
M. S. DOLLAR, British str., for San Francisco.  
PHRANANG, German str., for Bangkok.  
TAIWAN, British str., for Shanghai.  
VERONA, German str., for Shanghai.  
WAJHORA, British str., for Amoy.  
VESSELS IN DOCK.  
19th May.  
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—  
A. WILSON DOCKS.—Admirator, Aphrodite, U.S.S. Monterey, H.M.S. Hart, Tak Hung, Faifan, Tweeddale.  
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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	H. G. H. Lowden	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MANILA	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 25th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	SIMIA	Brit. str.	F. R. Summers	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th June, Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	DECALON	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	7th June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	21st June.
LONDON & ANTWERP	YANGTSE	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th July.
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th July.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	FRANSTR.	Brit. str.	G. Bordoni	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	31st inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	H. N. Vyvyan	Brit. str.		SHewan, Tomes & Co.	About 8th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BAYERN	Brit. str.	Webster	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,	About 11th June.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	STRAßBURG	Ger. str.	Förmer	MELCHERS & CO.	25th inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	31st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BATAVIA	Ger. str.	Förster	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	14th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NURNBERG	Ger. str.	Dempwolf	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	28th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. F. FELD LAEISZ	Ger. str.	Jürgen	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	6th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	Sachsen	Ger. str.	Roerden	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	26th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TEENKAI	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	10th Aug.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	RAS ISRA	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	20th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SATSUMA	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	25th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SÉNECA	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	About 31st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EL. DE CHINA	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	About 3rd June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SHAWMUN	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	About 15th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	STENTOR	Brit. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	1st June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARAGONIA	Brit. str.		STANDARD OIL CO., LTD.	20th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.			25th inst. at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EASTERN	Brit. str.			15th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CYTON	Brit. str.			2nd June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WUSSUNG	Brit. str.			4th June, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	VINDOBONA	Aus. str.	Cobol	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 23rd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	LOOHNHOON	Ger. str.	Kalkofen	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BALLAARAT	Brit. str.	C. R. Longden	SIEMSEN & CO.	25th inst., at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ZIETEN	Brit. str.	B. Wilhelm	MELCHERS & CO.	About 2nd June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TIJANAS	Dut. str.		H. C. TRADING CO.	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TRIUMPH	Jap. str.	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	FEITH OF	Jap. str.	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	25th inst., 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	M. STRUVE	Jap. str.	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	5th June, 8 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TRITOS	Jap. str.	H. Kraft	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	29th inst., 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	THALES	Brit. str.	Robson	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	1st June, 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHIHLI	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, 2 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUNGKIAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ZUBI	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	SHewan, Tomes & Co.	25th inst., 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TEEMONT	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 6th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	J. G. Spence	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.	26th inst., at 4 P.M.

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MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE	MANILA, H.G.H. Lewellen, E.N.R.	About 25th May	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	BALLAARAT, C. E. Longden, E.N.R.	About 2nd June	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	SIMLA, F. R. Summers	Noon, 4th June	See Special Advertisement.

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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTSE"	On 28th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 3rd June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 11th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	On 13th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 17th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 21st June.

HOMEBWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
London and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 24th May.
London and ANTWERP	"DECALION"	On 7th June.
"GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"TEENKAI"	On 20th June.
London and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 21st June.
London and ANTWERP	"YANGTSE"	On 5th July.
London and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 19th July.
"GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 25th July.

\* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"STENTOR"	On 15th June.

For Freight, apply to—

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.**

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

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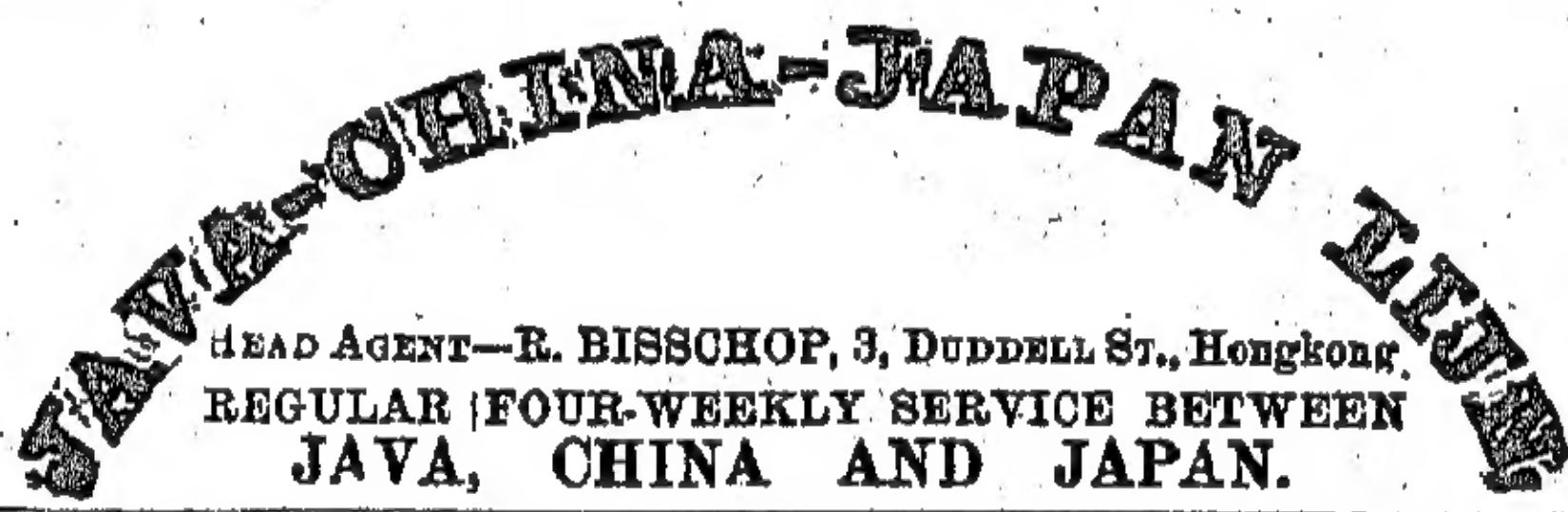
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SHANGHAI ..... "WOOSUNG" ..... On 23rd May.  
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THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE ..... "CHANGSHA" ..... On 2nd June.  
SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENSIN ..... "CHIHLI" ..... On 4th June.  
\* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.  
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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904.

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HEAD AGENT—R. BISSCHOP, 3, DUDDELL ST., Hongkong.  
REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS	JAVA PORTS	First half of June	SHANGHAI & JAPAN	First half of June
TJILATJAP.	JAPAN	First half of June	SINGAPORE & JAVA PORTS	First half of June
TJIMAHU	JAVA PORTS	Second half of May	SHANGAII & JAPAN	Second half of May

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE AGENTS,

**THE HOLLAND CHINA TRADING CO.**

Telephone No. 201.

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**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON, THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PEGASUS GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"SIMLA." Captain F. R. Summers, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 4th JUNE, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1904.

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STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. (With liberty to call at Philippine Ports)

THE Steamship

"SENECA" will be despatched as above on or about the 15th June.

S.S. "SCHUYLKILL" on or about the 1st July.

For Freight or further information, apply to

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Oriental Freight Department.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1904.

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**VESSELS ON THE BERTH.**

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamship

"RAS ISSA" will be despatched for the above port on or about TUESDAY, the 31st inst.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1904.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904. About

"SATSUMA" 3rd June.

"RICHMOND CASTLE" 15th June.

"ST. FILLANS" 30th June.

"LOWTHER CASTLE" 31st July.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

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STEAMSHIP "AUSTRALIEN" COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo from London ex. S. Dordogne and S. Sinai, from Bordeaux ex. S. Ville de Marseille and Ville de Lorient, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, where delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the underlined before NOON on the 27th May, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th May, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES**

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"MARQUIS BACQUEHEM" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk, by the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, where delivery may be obtained.

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SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1902.

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REPAIR WORK to Steamers and Launches. Castings in Brass and Iron. Moderate charges.

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Amoy, 3rd December, 1903.

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## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dabu and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

The *Empress of China*, with the Canadian mail, left Shanghai on Saturday, the 21st inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on about Tuesday, the 24th inst., at 9 a.m.

The *Empress of China*, with the German mail, left Singapore on Friday, the 20th inst., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on about Tuesday, the 24th inst.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

	PER	DATE
Canton		Monday, 23rd, 7.30 A.M.
Shanghai		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
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Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Manila		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Macao		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Kongmooon, Kunchuk and Samshui		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Namho		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Sanho		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Macao		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai		Monday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Canton		Tuesday, 24th, 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Tamsu		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Namho		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Sanho		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Kongmooon, Kunchuk and Samshui		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
ANJOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Meiji, Kobe and Yokohama		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tunicarin		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
(Letters posted in the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. & Tacoma		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Namho		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Sanho		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Kongmooon, Kunchuk and Samshui		Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.

## TO-DAY.

Dallas Co., Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS:

21st May.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.97

Bank Bills, on demand 1.97

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1.97

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1.97

Credit, at 4 months 1.97

Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 1.97

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 22.4

Credits, at 4 months' sight 22.4

ON GERMANY.— On demand 182.1

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 43.1

redits, 30 days' sight 44.4

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 133.1

Bank, on demand 133.1

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 133.1

Park, on demand 133.1

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 72

Private, 30 days' sight 72

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 87.4

ON MANILA.— On demand Nominal

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand Nominal

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 107.1

ON HAIPHONG.— On demand 24 p.c. p.m.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 24 p.c. p.m.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 82

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate \$11.06

GOLD LEAF, 100 lbs, per ton \$58.10

BAR SILVER, per oz. 25.1

## OPIUM.

21st May.

Quotations are:— Allow me to carry.

Malwa New \$1040 to \$1080 per picul

Malwa Old \$1100 to \$1140

Malwa Old \$1200 to \$1240

Malwa V. Old \$1260 to \$1280

Persian inequality \$880 to —

Persian extra fine \$900 to —

Patau New \$1300 to — per chest

Burma Old \$1360 to —

Panama New \$1280 to —

Burma Old \$1280 to —

VESSELS EXPECTED.

## THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-Chinian steamer *Kunwang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 18th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on the 23rd inst.

## THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Bayern* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 16th inst., and may be expected here on the 24th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Zieten* left Singapore on the 20th inst., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on the 4th inst., at 6 p.m.

THE AMERICAN AND CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Shanghai at 5 a.m. on Saturday, the 21st inst., and left again at 2 p.m. same day for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, the 24th inst.

## THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *Mongolia* left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, &c., on the 7th inst.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The C. & M. steamer *Ruby* left Manila on the 21st inst., at 11 a.m., and is due here to day, at 1.30 p.m.

The American mail ex *Gaelic* will come forward per *Empress of China* from Japan, due Hongkong on the 23rd inst.

The H.A.L. steamer *Nurnberg*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 24th inst., at daylight.

The Indra Line steamer *Indramayu*, from New York, has arrived at Manila, and is due here on Thursday, the 26th inst.

The C.N. steamer *Chihli* left Tientsin for Chefoo on the 21st inst., and is expected here on the 29th inst.

The N.G.I. steamer *Copri* left Bombay for this port on the 17th inst., and may be expected here on the 4th prox.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Ningchow* left Victoria (B.C.) on the 15th inst., for Japan and Hongkong.

The steamer *Richmond Castle*, from New York, arrived at Manila on the 29th ult.

The C.C. steamer *Chingwo* left Astoria for Japan port and Hongkong on the 1st inst.

The C.C. steamer *Atithi*, sailed from Salmi Criz for Moji and Hongkong on the 30th ult., and is due here about the 5th prox.

The steamer *Sikh* sailed from New York on the 4th inst.

## THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, MONDAY, MAY 23RD, 1904.

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Sterilized—Not Sweetened.  
A Perfect Substitute for Fresh Milk.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 20th May.

## COMPANY PAID UP QUOTATIONS.

Banks—Hongkong & Shai... \$125 \$65, buyers 125, sellers 125.

Nat'l Bank of China—A. Shares 25 \$85, buyers 25, sellers 25.

A. Shares 25 \$85, buyers 25, sellers 25.

Found 25 \$10, buyers 25, sellers 25.

Brit. American & C. Canton-Hongkong 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Capitals, stocks & Co. China-Japan Co. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

China Light and Power Co. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

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China Prov. L. & M. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

China Sugar 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Cigar Companies 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Athabasca, Ed... 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Philippines 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Cotton Mills 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Env. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

International 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Laos Kung Mow 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Seychelles 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Hongkong 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Dairy Farm 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Edwards & Co. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Green Island Cement 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Hongkong & Co. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Hongkong Ice 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

H. & G. Whatr & G. 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Hongkong Rope 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

H. & W. Dock 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Insurance 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Canton 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

China Fire 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

China Traders 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Hongkong Fire 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

North China 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100, 100.

Union 100 \$10, nominal \$10, 100